AMENDMENTS

- first and second fastening strips, the fastening strips have a longitudinal X axis, a transverse Y axis and a vertical Z axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be occluded over a predetermined length in the X axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be deoccluded and form an opening strips are arranged to be deoccluded and form an opening between the fastening strips when deoccluded, the opening is visible when viewed in the Z axis, the first fastening strip includes a first portion with a first color, the first color is not visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are occluded.
- (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the first color is visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are deoccluded.
- (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the second fastening strip includes a second portion with the first color.
- 4. (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the first fastening strip includes a third portion with a second color.
- 5. (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the second fastening strip includes a fourth portion with a second color.
- 6. (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the first portion is a closure element.

- 7. (original) The invention as in claim 4 wherein the third portion is a flange.
- 8. (original) The invention as in claim 5 wherein the fourth portion is a flange.
- 9. (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the first portion is a closure element, the second fastening strip includes a closure element with the first color, the first fastening strip includes a flange with a second color, the second fastening strip includes a flange with a second color.
- 10. (original) The invention as in claim 9 wherein the closure elements are U-channel closure elements, the flanges are located above the closure elements, the flanges extend inward toward each other.
- 11. (original) The invention as in claim 10 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.
- 12. (original) The invention as in claim 1 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.
- 13. (currently amended) A container comprising:
 first and second sidewalls joined to form a compartment
 with an opening;

first and second fastening strips respectively connected to the first and second sidewalls at the opening,

the fastening strips have a longitudinal X axis, a transverse Y axis and a vertical Z axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be occluded over a predetermined length in the X axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be deoccluded and form the opening between the fastening strips, the opening is visible when viewed in the Z axis, the first fastening strip includes a first portion with a first color, the first color is not visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are occluded.

14. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a closure device, comprising:

providing first and second fastening strips, the fastening strips have a longitudinal X axis, a transverse Y axis and a vertical Z axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be occluded over a predetermined length in the X axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be deoccluded and form an opening between the fastening strips when deoccluded, the opening is visible when viewed in the Z axis,

providing the first fastening strip includes a first portion with a first color, the first color is not visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are occluded.

- 15. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the first color is visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are deoccluded.
- 16. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the second fastening strip includes a second portion with the first color.
- 17. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the first fastening strip includes a third portion with a second color.

- 18. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the second fastening strip includes a fourth portion with a second color.
 - 19. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the first portion is a closure element.
 - 20. (new) The invention as in claim 17 wherein the third portion is a flange.
- 21. (new) The invention as in claim 18 wherein the fourth portion is a flange.
- 22. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the first portion is a closure element, the second fastening strip includes a closure element with the first color, the first fastening strip includes a flange with a second color, the second fastening strip includes a flange with a second color.
- 23. (new) The invention as in claim 22 wherein the closure elements are U-channel closure elements, the flanges are located above the closure elements, the flanges extend inward toward each other.
- 24. (new) The invention as in claim 23 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.
- 25. (new) The invention as in claim 13 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the

fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.

- 26. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the first color is visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are deoccluded.
- 27. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the second fastening strip includes a second portion with the first color.
- 28. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the first fastening strip includes a third portion with a second color.
- 29. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the second fastening strip includes a fourth portion with a second color.
 - 30. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the first portion is a closure element.
 - 31. (new) The invention as in claim 28 wherein the third portion is a flange.
- 32. (new) The invention as in claim 29 wherein the fourth portion is a flange.
- 33. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the first portion is a closure element, the second fastening strip includes a closure element with the first color, the first fastening strip includes a flange with a second color, the second fastening strip includes a flange with a second color.

- 34. (new) The invention as in claim 33 wherein the closure elements are U-channel closure elements, the flanges are located above the closure elements, the flanges extend inward toward each other.
- 35. (new) The invention as in claim 34 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.
- 36. (new) The invention as in claim 14 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.
 - 37. (new) A container comprising:

first and second sidewalls joined to form a compartment with an opening;

first and second fastening strips respectively connected to the first and second sidewalls at the opening,

the fastening strips have a longitudinal X axis, a transverse Y axis and a vertical Z axis, the fastening strips are arranged to be occluded over a predetermined length in the X axis, the first and second sidewalls extending parallel to the Z axis, the first fastening strip includes a first portion with a first color, the first color is not visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are occluded.

38. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the first color is visible when viewed in the Z axis when the fastening strips are deoccluded.

- 39. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the second fastening strip includes a second portion with the first color.
- 40. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the first fastening strip includes a third portion with a second color.
- 41. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the second fastening strip includes a fourth portion with a second color.
- 42. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the first portion is a closure element.
- 43. (new) The invention as in claim 40 wherein the third portion is a flange.
- 44. (new) The invention as in claim 41 wherein the fourth portion is a flange.
- 45. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the first portion is a closure element, the second fastening strip includes a closure element with the first color, the first fastening strip includes a flange with a second color, the second fastening strip includes a flange with a second color.
- 46. (new) The invention as in claim 45 wherein the closure elements are U-channel closure elements, the flanges are located above the closure elements, the flanges extend inward toward each other.
- 47. (new) The invention as in claim 46 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the

fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.

48. (new) The invention as in claim 37 wherein the closure device includes a slider slidably disposed on the fastening strips, the slider facilitates occlusion of the fastening strips.